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Prosecution in cases of infant marriages during the year 1896—97
(Akkammanahalli)

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The Inspector General of Police
in Mysore.

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SERIAL No. 70

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
General and Revenue Depts.

Dated

Despatched 23rd June 1897

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General No. 4239

No. 484

Enclosure No. a memo and a file.

Forwarding the records connected with an infant marriage that took place at AKKammanahalli in the Pavagada Taluk on 26-11-96 and requesting sanction to prosecute the parties concerned therein.

copy of Regulations put up. Sd/-
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The C... see as to the age of the bride & bridegroom is all oral; but, so far as it goes, it seems to be satisfactory. May a prosecution be ordered? The girl (above 14) has been from over 50.

Yes
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OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE

No. 423 / 484 Dated Bangalore, 23 June 1897

Enc. a memo and a file.

FROM

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward herewith, copy of a memo prepared in this office regarding an infant marriage that took place at Akkammana-hally in the Pavagada Taluk on the 26th November 1896.

2. It will be seen that the parties are Kurnbars by caste,

that Fakira of Akkammanahally gave his daughter Venkati aged about 10 or 11 years, in marriage to one Eraga of the Gummnkatte village, aged over 55 years, and that the marriage was celebrated in spite of the remonstrance of Patel Lukshmappa, owing to the encouragement given to the parties by Sivachar Siviah and Agasalé Gindlappa of Gummakatte.

Anantapur Thimmanna officiated as Purohit during the marriage.

3. The marginally noted persons have contravened the provisions of the Infant Marriages Prevention

1. Kuruban Eraga, the bridegroom.
2. Kuruban Fakira, the father of the bride.
3. Sivachar Siviah of Gummakatte.
4. Agasalé Gindlappa of Gummakatte.
5. Anantapur Thimmanna, the Purohit.

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Regulation No. X of 1894 and I beg that sanction may be accorde to prosecute them, the first under section 4 and the other 3 under section 5 of the Regulation. The 5th accused being a resident of Anantapur in H. H's Territory, he is not liable for prosecution. The records in the case are herewith forwarded for pernsal and obliging return.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
M Jagadhara Rao
Inspector General
of Police

Enclosed 70 1/5 a

Memo re an infant marriage that took place at Akkammanahally in the Pavagada Taluk on the 26th November 1896.

On the 28th November 1896 the Sheikdar of the Gummakatte hobli, Pavagada Taluk, reported to the Amildar that on the 26th idem one Venkati, daughter of Kurubar Fakira of Akkammanahally aged about 10 or 11 years was given in marriage to one Bellary Eraga living in the Gummakatte village aged over 55 years, contrary to the provisions of Sections 4 and 5 of Regulation No. X of 1894. The

case was taken up by the Jamedar for investigation. He examined the following persons and drew up a Mahazar also which was signed by the marginally noted persons.

1. Shanbogue Khimmah
2. —Do— Venkatroy.
3. Kurubar Pahiya.
4. Patel Lukshmiappa.
5. Banajigar Appiah.
6. Gophar Venkatiga
7. Kurubar Chenniga.

(1) Patel Lukshmappa.
(2) Kurubar Mudda.
(3) Coppar Ramudu.
(4) Talwar Khimma.
(5) Nirganti Bhima.
(6) Kurubar Eraga, the bridegroom.
(7) Kurubar Fakira, the father of the bride.

Kurubar Fakira, the father the bride, states that he arranged give his daughter Venkati, aged bout 10 or 11 years in marriage to e Bellary Eraga of Gummagatte, lat on Patel Lukshmappa saying

that it was against Regulation X of 1894, he stopped the marriage, that Sivachar Siviah and Agasalé Gindlappa of Gummakatté came to Akkammanahally and told him that there was nothing wrong in the marriage being performed and that they would help him if he was prosecuted for it. He further states that they remained with him and had the marriage celebriated. The bridegroom Eraga corroborates the statement of Fakira.

Patel Lukshmappa states that Kurubar Eraga arranged to marry the daughter of Kurubar Fakira and to celebrate the marriage on the 25th November 1896,

that on his pointing out to them that it was contrary to the provisions of the Infant Marriage Prevention Regulation, the marriage was stopped and that subse-quently Sivachar Siviah and Agasalé Gindlappa, came to Akkammanahally, told Fakira and Eraga that there was no harm in the marriage being performed and insisted on the celebration of it the next day i.e. 26th November 1896. He also states that the marriage was accordingly celebrated on that day and that they were present till the whole ceremony was completed. The other witnesses examined and the Mahazar

drawn up by the Tamedar bear out the facts stated above.

Anantapur Thimmanna is reported to have officiated, as a Purohit during the marriage.

With regard to the age of the bridegroom, Patel Lukshmapp and Kurubar Mudda state that he is over 55 years of age. Shanbogue Chickmuddappa says that the bridegroom was known to him from his boyhood, and that as he is now 65 years of age, the bridegroom should also be of that age. The age of the bride is reported to be about 10 or 11 years of age, but the register of births is not forthcoming. Although there is no documentary

evidence to prove the age of the bride, the statements of her father and of the Patel and others go to show that she is between 10 and 11 years.

Under these circumstances, the marginally noted persons may be recommended to be prosecuted, the first for an offence under section 4 and the other 3 under section 5 of Regulation No. X of 1894. The 5th accused being a resident of H. H's Territory, he is beyond the scope of the regulation and

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5. Anantapur Shimmanna, the Purohit.

his prosecution may be waived.

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Asst to the Inspector General of Police

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

SERIAL No. 74

(2)

READ—

Letter No. 4239-484 dated 23rd June 1897

from the Insp. Genl of Police in Mysore

reporting that on the 26 November 1896 ~~an infant~~ girl of about 11 years

named Venkati daughter of Takra of

Akkammanahalli

was married to one Eraga, of Gummukatta village,

aged over 55 years

at Akkammanahalli, Pavagada Taluk.

ORDER THEREON No. 253-54 DATED 7th July 1897

of 28 Encl file.

Under the provisions of section 8 of Regulation X of 1894, the Government are pleased to direct the prosecution, for offences under section ~~3~~ 4 and 6 of the Mysore Infant Marriages Prevention Regulation, of all persons who caused the marriage of the ~~infant~~ girl named Venkati

with a person named Eraga

and of all persons who knowingly aided and abetted the same, and of the said husband Eraga

~~General Secretary.~~

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District.

The Inspector General of Police in Mysore, returning the original enclosures.